

NEWMARKET ON FERGUS PARISH

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Newmarket

Sat	27th	18.00	Mary Moynihan, Ballycar. Month's Mind Paddy Corry, Lemenagh Ann Lovett, Ballincragga and her grand-daughter Nicole Daly.
Sun	28th	11.00	Bridget and John Freeman, Lisduff Special Intention
Mon	29th	10.00	Daily Mass
Tue	30th	10.00	Daily Mass
Wed	1st	10.00	Daily Mass
Thur	2nd	11.00	Funeral Mass for Anthony Barry, Calgary & late of Newmarket on Fergus
Sat	4th	18.00	Kay Meere, Knocknagun
Sun	5th	11.00	Sunday Mass

Wells

Sun	28th	10.00	Frank O'Brien, Clonmoney
Sun	5th	10.00	Maureen Normoyle, Drumline. Month's Mind

Carrigerry

Sun	28th	09.00	Martin and Elizabeth Ryan, Urlanmore
Sun	5th	09.00	Sunday Mass



Recent Deaths:

Your kind prayers are asked for the happy repose of the souls of
Delia Ryan. Mother of Brendan, Muckanagh
Jimmy Madigan, Ballysallagh

May their souls and the souls of our Faithful Departed rest in the peace of Christ.

A sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously to last weekend church collection. The amount donated €1667.97



Fatima Hour: 4th May: 2 -3pm

On the First Saturday of every month the Rosary is recited in the Day Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Newmarket from 2pm to 3pm. You are welcome to come and join even if only for one decade.



Outdoor Rosary returns for the month of May

Beginning Wednesday, 1st May.
Avondale Grotto at 4.00 p.m.
Glencragga statue 5.00 p.m.
Please come to pray.



Darkness into Light Walk – Newmarket on Fergus

On Saturday May 11th at 4.45am the parish of Newmarket on Fergus will join together as we take a sunrise stroll in aid of Pieta bringing the darkness of loss to suicide into light. Obair together with both Newmarket Celtic FC and Cora Chaitlín GAA have organised, what we hope will be the first event of its kind in the parish. Together we will walk around the village starting at the soccer field, heading to the Ministers Cross, down towards Lough Gash, in through Kilnasoolagh Park, out to Mac's cross roundabout, back through O'Regan Park and the Church, ending with laps of the hurling field. The route will also incorporate a 'meaningful mile' where we ask participants to walk in silence from Lough Gash to the library. We hope it will be a successful event and that we can build on it for our parish which has suffered too many times the impact of suicide and benefitted from the invaluable services of Pieta. We invite all residents along the route to light up the way and we welcome any volunteers across the parish including community groups who would like to help in any way to contact Ciara 0857023079, Siobhán 0868133284 or Freddy 0862245157. Updates ongoing across all social media platforms and parish website. Register your intent to 'participate in your own way in Co Clare' on <https://www.darknessintolight.ie/sign-up> and meet us at the soccer field at 4.45am.

Parish Pastoral Council



There will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council on Monday evening at 19.30 in the meeting room above the sacristy in Our Lady of the Rosary Church on Monday the 29th of April.

Parish Finance Council



There will be a meeting of the Parish Finance Council on Tuesday evening at 18.00 in the meeting room above the sacristy in Our Lady of the Rosary Church on Tuesday 30th of April.

Prayers for Priests Prayer Group



Meetings are the second Monday of every month at 7.30pm in Our Lady of the Wells Church.. Contact Mary by text only please on 087 3143289. Next meeting is on Mon 13th May

Milford Care Centre

Annual Remembrance Service. : Milford Care Centre will be hosting its annual Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Castletroy, on Sunday May 12th 2024 at 3pm for those people who have died under our care in Milford Care Centre and across our community services. We hope that you may wish to join with us and we look forward to sharing with you in this service of remembrance and thanksgiving. Please feel free to invite family and friends to join you in solidarity and support.
Information Evening for Bereaved Parents. : Milford Care Centre and Anam Cara are hosting an information evening for bereaved parents evening on Thursday the 2nd of May from 19.00-20.30 at the Milford Care Centre. For more information contact Info@anamcara.ie or 085 288 8888.

David Griffin is holding a public meeting with guest speaker Billy Kelleher MEP at 8pm on April 29th in the GAA Clubhouse. The meeting will discuss the future development of rural villages, such as Newmarket-on-Fergus, and how Local, National and European authorities can support the development of vibrant towns and villages. We will also discuss local issues.

Blood Donors Clinic : There will be a Blood Donation Clinics in Shannon's Oakwood Arms Hotel on Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd of May 4.00pm to 7.20pm. New and existing blood donors are welcome. Appointments can be made by phoning 1800 222 11

National Pilgrimage for Life



The first National Pilgrimage for Life, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 4th May in Knock Shrine with Mass at 3.00pm in the Basilica. Anointing of the Sick will take place during Mass. Main celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Francis Duffy. We invite you to join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.

Cantare Choir : with Orchestra Summer Concert featuring Vivaldi's Gloria (RV589), Summer from The Four Seasons and lots more classic string pieces - May 11th, 8pm, SS Peter and Paul Cathedral, Ennis - a glorious start to your summer! Tickets available online at www.glor.ie or from Glór box office - 065 6843103. In support of Pieta House and Sláinte an Chláir. See you there!

Newmarket on Fergus Agricultural Show will hold our annual event on Sunday May 5th, Bank Holiday Weekend. We will have Horse & Pony Show jumping, Pony & young horse Showing , Cattle Showing, Dog Show ,trade stands, vintage machinery and lots of kids entertainment . Any enquiries please contact: Fiona 087 2858699 (After4pm) Or [Email:Newmarketonfergusshow1@gmail.com](mailto:Newmarketonfergusshow1@gmail.com)

Next Parish Walk will take place on 11th May to Square and Lower Ennis Road, properties and occupiers. Guide Sheila McGrath. Meet at old barracks in The Square at 11.00 a.m.



Twenty Five Years Celebrations of The Parish Walk : April 22nd 2024

There was an air of expectation throughout the hall on Monday 22nd April last. Nobody knew what to expect and all eyes focussed on the organisers quietly putting the finishing touches on their display and checking the props. It was simple enough. Twenty-five years of parish walks were being commemorated by appropriate and related activities. First was the presentation of prizes to winners of a parish Quiz held at Easter time. Winners were Wayne Fitzgerald, Marian Fogarty, Molly O'Donnell, Breeda Reynolds, Joan & Brendan Reynolds and Ida Lynch. Sheila McGrath was MC and she was helped by Martin Reidy in presenting the medals which were locally designed and produced courtesy of Stonehall man, Jim Casey. A feature of the medal was the image of a salmon jumping towards a pair of boots, the salmon the mythological Bradán Feasa, the boots a symbol of walkers in search of information.



Next Máire Ní Ghrugáin who initiated the walks in 1997 on the suggestion of Canon Reuben Butler gave an outline of the aims of the group and progress to date. She made special mention of, mostly farmers, the primary conservators of the land, who opened their area through imparting historical anecdotes, changes in occupation and farming practice, placenames and unusual events.

Sheila who joined in 2003 gave her impressions and some interesting statistics. A monthly walk was the norm and two years were subtracted due to Covid. Presentation of medals to local guides was undertaken by Sheila and Martin Reidy. One read a brief description of why the selection was made, while the other presented the medal. P J Callinan represented by Brian and Christine, Brid Collins, Flan Enright represented by his brother Frank and sister-in-law Nita; Lorcky Enright represented by Michelle Taylor; Kieran Woods, also representing his father Seán, John O'Loughlin represented by Martin Reidy, P J Reidy, Pa and Frank Meehan represented by Marion Woods; Ger Liddy, John O'Leary and Mary also representing Vincent Flannery, Martin Tobin, Paddy Reynolds represented by Joan, and Conor Madden who was presented later in the parish office.

The middle part of the evening was taken up by an address of Michael Talty archivist and librarian at the Local Studies Centre Ennis. His suggestions were practical and of great benefit to historical research in the parish. A full release of the package and its progress will be published, once the enterprise is begun.

Con Woods who had held a similar number of attendees spell bound on the 8th April when he gave a talk on John Fox and Joe Walsh of Shannon and Newmarket were of great help in organising the event.

Molly O'Donnell oversaw an exhibition of artefacts found in the locality, including her very own Ing crocodile and the O'Malley hat used by Daniel O'Connell to shoot through kept as a memento until the mid twentieth century in the Corner House. To Veri, well known chef and popular Newmarket resident, we owe a tremendous debt for his unexpected contribution of a wonderful confection. To the Sixmilebridge embryo walking group who were pleased to join us and share their intentions, a similar vote of thanks; to Tom Neylon from Tidy Towns and his agreement to work with us, we are indebted as the way forward in this community is surely that of all organisations helping and being aware of each other. To Conor Madden who, by his globally documented professionalism and expertise has enhanced the historical experience of our group, by his video making, we owe a debt which can only be repaid by replying that he is one of us! To Ger Fahy and his committee we owe a debt. They have made the community centre, a place worthy of holding a reception for the next local Grand National winner. Thanks to Colm Liddy for sharing his interest in local history. Thanks to John O'Brien for his support and some fine examples pointing to the way forward for our group. Thanks to the Parish Office for publishing this report. To the readers: Parish History is the record of those who told their story as well and of those who interrupted them in their telling of it. We welcome discussion on the Parish Walk. If you are new to the parish you will short cut a way to the top of top level informants. Come and tell your story and listen to ours. Go raibh fíche cuig bliain eile de shiúlóidí ag lucht An Parish Walk.

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